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C O N F I D E N T I A L BUCHAREST 4151

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINR, RO
SUBJECT: NEW ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR TO DENMARK: STANA DRAGOI

1. GOR HAS ANNOUNCED APPOINTMENT OF STANA DRAGOI AS AMBASSADOR TO DENMARK AND ICELAND, REPLACING GHEORGHE PLOIESTEANU, WHO WAS AMBASSADOR SINCE 1967. DRAGOI WILL BE ACCREDITED TO ICELAND BUT RESIDENT IN COPENHAGEN. DRAGOI PRESENTED HER CREDENTIALS TO DENMARK ON JUNE 9.

2. DRAGOI'S LATEST KNOWN POSITION WAS SECRETARY GENERAL OF NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE RED CROSS WHICH SHE ASSUMED IN 1972. OTHER POSITIONS HELD HAVE BEEN: VICE PRESIDENT OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF WOMEN, 1962; VICE PRESIDENT OF UNION OF JOURNALISTS, 1963; SECRETARY OF WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS (WFTU), 1964; AND MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL UNION OF TRADE UNIONS (UGSR), 1966. DRAGOI WAS ALSO ELECTED A MEMBER OF THE RCP CENTRAL COMMITTEE IN 1965, RE-ELECTED IN 1969 AND THEN DROPPED IN 1974. SHE HAS HELD NO IMPORTANT POSTS SINCE THAT TIME.

3. DRAGOI IS THE FIRST WOMAN EVER TO BE APPOINTED AMBASSADOR BY ROMANIA. AS PART OF A CAMPAIGN TO EXHIBIT HIS "CONCERN FOR EQUALITY," CEAUSESCU HAS REPEATEDLY EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO APPOINT MORE WOMEN AT SENIOR LEVELS
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IN PARTY AND STATE POSITIONS. DRAGOI APPOINTMENT MAY BE RESPONSIVE TO THIS CONCERN, AND WE EXPECT PRESIDENT TO CITE IT ON NEXT APPROPRIATE PUBLIC OCCASION. WE ALSO HEAR RUMORS THAT DRAGOI IS ONLY THE FIRST OF FIVE WOMEN WHO WILL RECEIVE AMBASSADORIAL APPOINTMENTS "TO CIVILIZED COUNTRIES" IN RELATIVELY NEAR FUTURE. WUME THAT DRAGOI IS AT LEAST 55 YEARS OLD SINCE HER FIRST RESPONSIBLE

POSITION OF WHICH WE ARE AWARE WAS IN IN 1962.

4. SINCE EMBASSY HAS HAD NO PERSONAL CONTACT WITH DRAGOI
AND HAS RELATIVELY LITTLE INFORMATION ON HER, WE WOULD
APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION ACTION ADDRESSES MAY DEVELOP.
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